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I. Introduction

1. On the recommendation of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and the Economic and Social Council (Council resolution 1998/14 of 28 July 1998), the General Assembly adopted resolution 53/111 of 9 December 1998, in which it decided to establish an open-ended intergovernmental ad hoc committee for the purpose of elaborating a comprehensive international convention against transnational organized crime and of discussing the elaboration, as appropriate, of international instruments addressing trafficking in women and children, combating the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition, and illegal trafficking in and transporting of migrants, including by sea. The Assembly also adopted resolution 53/114 of 9 December 1998, in which it called upon the ad hoc committee to devote attention to the drafting of the main text of the convention, as well as the above-mentioned international instruments.

II. Organization of the session

A. Opening of the session

2. The Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime held its first session in Vienna from 19 to 29 January 1999. The Ad Hoc Committee held 18 meetings.

3. The first session of the Ad Hoc Committee was opened by its Chairman, who made a brief statement emphasizing the importance of the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee.

4. The Executive Director of the Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention of the Secretariat made a statement in which he expressed his conviction that the convention, as the first international instrument to be negotiated on action against transnational organized crime, would be a milestone in the international efforts to curb the phenomenon.

B. Attendance

5. The first session of the Ad Hoc Committee was attended by representatives of 91 States. Also attending the first session were observers for entities maintaining permanent observer missions to the United Nations, organizations in the United Nations system, institutes of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme network, intergovernmental organizations and non-governmental organizations. A list of participants is contained in annex I to the present report.

C. Election of officers

6. In its resolution 53/111, the General Assembly decided to accept the recommendation of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice to elect Luigi Lauriola (Italy) as the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee. Mr. Lauriola indicated that he was acting in his personal capacity and not as representative of his country or of any regional

group. Following informal consultations, the Ad Hoc Committee elected the following additional officers:

Vice-Chairmen: Kiyotaka Akasaka (Japan)
Nabil Ammar (Tunisia)
Demetrio Boersner (Venezuela)*
Zuzana Chuda (Slovakia)
Eric Danon (France)**
Roberta Lajous (Mexico)***
Patricio Palacios (Ecuador)
Janusz Rydzkowski (Poland)
Shaukat Umer (Pakistan)

Rapporteur: Peter Gastrow (South Africa)

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* For the work of the Ad Hoc Committee in 1999.

** Subsequently replaced by Bérengère Quincy (France).

*** For the work of the Ad Hoc Committee in 2000.

7. The bureau of the Ad Hoc Committee met several times during the first session to consider matters pertaining to the organization of work.

8. The Ad Hoc Committee was of the view that the election of an expanded bureau would reduce the need for sessions of the informal working group established to assist the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee (the informal group of the "Friends of the Chair"), which had functioned during the preparatory phase. It recommended that, subject to the availability of resources, the sessions of the informal group of the "Friends of the Chair" that had been foreseen should be converted into sessions of the Ad Hoc Committee, with interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations.[1]

9. The Chairman noted that the decision had already been made to convert the one-week session of the informal group of the "Friends of the Chair" foreseen for early July 1999 into an additional session of the Ad Hoc Committee. That had been made possible by the voluntary contribution of one Member State. He encouraged other States to make such contributions to the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund in order to promote the elaboration of the draft Convention.

D. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

10. At its 1st meeting, on 19 January 1999, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the following agenda for its first session:

1. Opening of the first session of the Ad Hoc Committee.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
4. Consideration of the draft convention against transnational organized crime.
5. Consideration of additional international legal instruments against:
   (a) Trafficking in women and children;

(b) Illicit trafficking in and transporting of migrants;

(c) Illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition.

6. Adoption of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on its first session.

11. After the adoption of the agenda and during the debate, several representatives stressed the need for the timely and accurate translation of documents. Participants were encouraged to inform the Secretariat of any specific inaccuracies or inconsistencies in translations, if possible with suggestions for the appropriate terminology to be used, so that the translators could make the necessary changes in subsequent texts.

12. The representative of Germany, speaking on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union, as well as the central and eastern European countries associated with the European Union and the associated country Cyprus, said that the process of negotiating the convention and the additional international legal instruments was a major response to the worldwide concern about the danger posed by transnational crime, a danger that had increased by the globalization of the world economy. He added that the European Union, which had been a strong supporter of that process from the beginning, attached the highest importance to achieving a successful outcome of the negotiations, preferably by the year 2000.

E. Documentation

13. At its first session, the Ad Hoc Committee had before it, in addition to the documents prepared by the Secretariat, documents containing proposals and contributions submitted by the Governments of Australia, Canada, Colombia, Kuwait, Mexico, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America. The list of documents is contained in annex II.

III. Discussion on the draft Convention

14. The Ad Hoc Committee based its work on a document containing the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (A/AC.254/4) and on proposals and contributions submitted by Governments (A/AC.254/5 and Add.2). The Chairman noted that that text contained in document A/AC.254/4 had been the result of discussions and consultations held during the following: the meeting of the inter-sessional open-ended intergovernmental group of experts on the elaboration of a preliminary draft of a possible comprehensive international convention against organized transnational crime, held in Warsaw from 2 to 6 February 1998; the seventh session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, held in Vienna from 21 to 30 April 1998; and the informal preparatory meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee, held in Buenos Aires from 31 August to 4 September 1998. The draft contained a number of options. On the recommendation of its Chairman, the Ad Hoc Committee decided to focus at its first session on eliminating options, in order to produce a consolidated text that would be the basis for the drafting and negotiation work that it would undertake in its subsequent sessions.

15. The suggestions for consolidating the text and proposals for new or amended provisions, together with specific observations on either the existing text or the substance of new provisions, were included in a new version of the draft Convention.*

16. The Ad Hoc Committee decided to consider articles 4 and 4 *bis*, on money-laundering, together with article 7, on confiscation, and article 8, on transparency of transactions, at its third session, to be held in April 1999. One participant was of the view that the issue of money-laundering might be considered as an additional protocol to the convention.

17. The representative of Algeria, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, stated that the elaboration of the convention and the protocols would require a lengthy negotiating process, one that would continue over the next two years, and that that would place a heavy financial burden on developing countries. He therefore reiterated in the strongest terms the request that resources be made available to the Secretariat to allow the participation in the sessions of the Ad Hoc Committee of at least one expert from the capital of each developing country. The Governments of the States members of the Group of 77 and China were convinced that developing countries would need long-term assistance to implement the obligations arising from the convention and the protocols. He therefore proposed the establishment of a special technical assistance fund for that purpose and announced that a proposal would be submitted under article 21 of the draft convention. He stated that the States members of the Group of 77 and China would also propose a separate section of the draft convention, on international economic cooperation for sustainable development, in order to deal with the causes of organized criminal activity. Finally, the States members of the Group of 77 and China were of the view that the main objective of the convention and its protocols should be to promote international cooperation through partnership based on shared responsibility and respect for the principles of sovereignty, equal rights and non-intervention.

IV. Discussion on the additional international legal instruments

18. Prior to its consideration of the additional international legal instruments, the Ad Hoc Committee discussed the relationship between those instruments and the convention against transnational organized crime. The discussion was assisted by a contribution by the Government of Australia (A/AC.254/L.9). Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 53/111 and 53/114, the convention was to be a self-sufficient and self-standing instrument. The highest priority would be given to the signature, ratification and entry into force of the convention, and every effort should be made to negotiate a text that would be conducive to meeting that priority. The additional international legal instruments were viewed in principle as optional protocols to the convention, covering areas that required specificity, which the convention could not meet. There was a need to ensure that the optional protocols would be consistent with the convention, not only to ensure compatibility, but also to maximize the relevance and applicability of general provisions, such as those pertaining to international cooperation, which would be covered under the convention. However, it was pointed out that each instrument was intended to meet specific concerns. Consequently, the instruments might require a broad scope. In that case, also in

* To be issued subsequently as document A/AC.254/4/Rev.1.

line with the relevant resolutions of the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly, the possibility that the additional international legal instrument might be independent from the convention could not be excluded. There was a discussion on whether signature of or accession to the protocols would be possible without prior signature of or accession to the convention, the general preference being towards requiring prior signature of or accession to the convention. The Ad Hoc Committee deemed that it was more appropriate to discuss that issue, together with the question of reservations, when considering the relevant articles of the draft convention.

19. New versions of the draft protocol against illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition* and of the draft protocol against illegal trafficking in and transporting of migrants** would incorporate proposals submitted by Governments during the first session of the Ad Hoc Committee and would reflect comments made during that session.

20. The representative of the United States introduced the draft protocol to combat international trafficking in women and children supplementary to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (A/AC.254/4/Add.3). The representative of Argentina introduced draft elements for an agreement on the prevention, suppression and punishment of international trafficking in women and children, supplementary to the Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (A/AC.254/8). The observers for two non-governmental organizations made statements. The delegations of Argentina and the United States undertook to produce a combined text to serve as the basis for future consideration of the draft instrument by the Ad Hoc Committee.***

V. Adoption of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on its first session

21. At its 18th meeting, on 29 January 1999, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the report on its first session (A/AC.254/L.1).

22. At the same meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee adopted the provisional agenda and organization of work for its second session, to be held in Vienna from 8 to 12 March 1999 (A/AC.254/L.1/Add.1).****

Notes

[1] Several representatives mentioned that the International Institute for Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences, during the informal preparatory meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee, held in Buenos Aires from 31 August to 4 September 1998, had offered to act as host to informal drafting groups to which the Ad Hoc Committee might wish to assign the preparation of texts related to specific issues covered under the draft Convention.

* To be issued subsequently as document A/AC.254/4/Add.2/Rev.1.

** To be issued subsequently as document A/AC.254/4/Add.1/Rev.1.

*** To be issued subsequently as document A/AC.254/4/Add.3/Rev.1.

**** To be issued subsequently as document A/AC.254/10.

Annex I

Attendance

States

Algeria	Mokhtar Reguieg, Faouzia Benmansour, Salah Francis El-Hamdi
Angola	Henrique Dos Santos, Fidelino Loy De Jesus Figueiredo, Ricardo Quicaxiamo, José Leitão Neves Bravo Da Costa, Filomena Da Conceição João
Argentina	Eugenio M. Curia, Ana Luisa Wirth-Schwind, Eduardo Bertoni
Australia	Geoffrey Dabb, Crispin Conroy, Roger Alan Neilson, Peter Guinn Scott, Helen Stylianou
Austria	Irene Freudenschuss-Reichl, Ferdinand Trautmannsdorf, Gregor Schusterschitz, Christian Ebner, Andrea Sandhacker, Ulrike Kathrein, Stefan Benner, Hans Haller, Andrea Jelinek, Walter Grosinger, Heinz Drobesch
Azerbaijan	Vaqif Sadiquov, Fuad Ismayilov
Belarus	Valyantsin Fisenka, Igor Shaladonau
Belgium	Michel Adam, Peter Martin, J. S. Jamart, Gerard Dive, Wouter Boucique, W. De Meyer
Bolivia	Jaime Niño De Guzmán, María Lourdes Espinoza Patiño
Brazil	Affonso Celso De Ouro-Preto, Jose Jorge Alcazar Almeida
Bulgaria	Ivan Naydenov, Traiko Spasov, Ivan Tishev
Burkina Faso	Lazare Gansore, Ougmane Traore
Canada	Keith Morrill, Alan Morgan, Jim Hayes, Jeannette Ackroyd, David Duinker, Sabine Nölke, Debra Normoyle, Erin McKey, Mark Gaillard
Chile	Osvaldo Puccio, Héctor Muñoz, Rosa Melendez, Gloria Navarrete-Heckmatt
China	Li Yanduan, Liu Yinghai, Zhai Jinrong, Sun Ang, Sun Ping, Zhang Yi, Gan Guodong, Tian Ni
Colombia	Carlos Holmes Trujillo Garcia, Fabiola Castillo, Enrique Celis, Maria Ximena Lombana, Carlos Rodriguez
Côte d'Ivoire	Mamadou Kone
Croatia	Mario Nobilo, Ranko Vilovic, Zeljko Horvatic, Zoran Nekic, Tihomir Kralj, Marijana Kujundzic
Cuba	Luis García Peraza, Pablo A. Rodríguez Vidal, Aurora Gramatges
Czech Republic	Marie Koštálová, Tomáš Buril, Jan Kohout
Denmark	Gite Hundahl, Carsten Krogh, Nicolai Jung, Susanne Topgaard, Michael Boolsen, Christian Strøyer, Jesper Hjortenberg
Ecuador	Patricio Palacios, Franklin Chávez, Juan F. Holguín

Egypt	Mostafa El-Feki, Iskandar Gbattas, Abd El Azim Wazir, Aly Hegazy, Hisham Ahmed Sorour
Finland	Tom Grönberg, Jaakko Halttunen, Matti Joutsen, Tomi Vuori, Pertti Normia, Kari Eskola, Pia Rantala
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Greece	Konstantinos Piperigos, Ioannis Aggelis, Konstantinos Matzoukas
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Holy See	Mario Zenari, Augustin Vaz Guerrero. Raffaella Manon
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India	Jayant Umranikar
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Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Amir Zamaninia, Amir-Hossein Hosseini, Bahram Darvish Khadema
Ireland	Tony McDermottroe, Brian Lucas, Donacha O'Sullivan
Israel	Ehud Keinan, Michael Lotem-Panich
Italy	Vincenzo Manno, Umberto Leanza, Emanuele Pignatelli, Renato Castellani, Gioacchino Polimeni, Giusto Sciacchitano, Francesca Marcelli, Enrico Di Francesco, Alfredo Nunzi, Massimo Curcio, Luigi Sico, Vincenzo Delicato, Renato Ferraro, Giampaolo Bensaia, Giancarlo Olimbo, Massimo Di Marco, Corrado Carruba, Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, Tiziana Terribile, Fabio Marini
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Kazakhstan	A. Akhmetov
Kuwait	Faisal Al-Ghais, Hamed Saleh Al-Othman, Zakaria Al-Ansari
Lebanon	Samir Hobeica, Elias Daoud, Georges Boustani, Michel Katra
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	Said Abulaati, Faisal Elshaerri

Luxembourg	Georges Santer, Jeannine Dennewald, Pierre Franck
Malta	Carmel Agius, Andrew Seychell
Mauritania	Abdallahi Ould Kebd
Mexico	Roberta Lajous, Luis Alfonso De Alba, Gilberto Landeros Briseño, José Humberto Castro Villalobos, Sergio Olivar Moctezuma, Victor Arriaga Weiss
Morocco	Abderrahim Benmoussa, Mina Tounsi, Abdellatif Saadi
Myanmar	Win Naing
Namibia	Lineekela J. Mboti, Simon M. Maruta
Netherlands	Hans Foerster, Michiel Bierkens, Marjorie Bonn, Jan Peek
New Zealand	Joan Mosley, Lucy Duncan
Niger	Souley Boubacar
Nigeria	Albeit Anopoechi, Abel Adelekun Ayoko, Mustapha Betara Aliyu
Norway	Helga Hernes, Hilde Indreberg, Gro Nystuen, Magnar Aukrust, Anne Folkvord, Gjermund Saether, Ola Rambjor Heide
Oman	Ahmed Said Al-Hasani, Yousef Ahmed Hamed Al Jabry
Pakistan	Shaukat Umer, Iffat Imran Gardezi
Panama	Jorge Enrique Halphen Pérez, Mirna P. De Perez Venero
Paraguay	Max Narváez Matto, María Cristina Acosta Alvarez, Ana Isabel Rodríguez
Peru	Gilbert Chauny, Luis Sandiga, Ruth Saif De Preperier, Manuel Alvarez
Philippines	Victoria S. Bataclan, Mary Anne A. Padua
Poland	Janusz Rydzkowski, Zdzisław Galicki, Michal Płachta, Mariusz Skowroński, Zbigniew Wrona, Beata Ziarkiewicz
Portugal	Álvaro Mendonça E Moura, Euclides Dâmaso Simões, Teresa Alves Martins, Cristina Pucarinho
Qatar	Ali Al-Khulaifi, Saleh Al-Meraikhi
Republic of Korea	Yuh Jae-hong, Chae Jung-sug, Lee Chang-jae, Hwang In-gyu, Lim Woong-soon, Che Dong-hwan, Lee Chul
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Sudan	Abubakr Salih Nur, Kureng Akuei Pac
Sweden	Örjan Landelius, Per Hedvall, Barbro Jönsson, Johan Nordenfelt, Johanna Peyron, Elin Sandberg
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Thailand	Udom Raksiltham, Visanu Prasattungosoth, Morokot Sriswasdi
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Ruzica Zanteva Angelova
Tunisia	Nabil Ammar, Emma Lazoughli, Abdelhamid Ben Chickh, Abderrazak Mansour
Turkey	Yasar Yakis, A. Asim Arar, Ates Hasan Sözen, M. Aydin Özbay, Nilüfer Erdem Kaygisiz
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United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Godfrey Stadlen, John Freeman, Richard Bradley, Peter Storr, Ruth Goodwin, Geoffrey Cole, David Lusher, Christopher Ian Perry, Doug Dalziel, Graham Widdecombe, David Wilson, Neil Clowes, John Barlow, Steve Walsh
United States of America	Jonathan Winer, Rob Boone, Laura Kennedy, Jeffrey Bullwinkel, Mary Helen Carlson, Sara Scott, Danny Glaser, Joseph Gordon, Kenneth Harris, Bridget Neill, Arthur Norton, Raul Pedrozo, Enrique Perez, Kenneth Propp, James Puleo, Herbert Traub, James Finckenauer
Uruguay	Jorge Tálice, Fructuoso Pittaluga-Fonseca, Elena Fajardo, Roberto Melgar
Venezuela	Demetrio Boersner, Kidder Salazar
Viet Nam	Nguyen Xuan Hong, Pham Hong Nga,
Zambia	Alex Chilufya, Solomon Jere
Zimbabwe	Phelekezela Mphoko

Entities represented by observers

Palestine

United Nations Secretariat units

Economic Commission for Europe, Department for Disarmament Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, United Nations Office at Vienna and Office for Drug Control and Crime Prevention

United Nations bodies and affiliated institutes

United Nations Development Programme, United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, Naif Arab Academy for Security Sciences, International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy, International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences, National Institute of Justice

Specialized agencies and other organizations in the United Nations system

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, World Bank, International Maritime Organization, International Atomic Energy Agency

Other intergovernmental organizations

Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee, Council of Europe, Council of the European Union, European Commission, Europol, International Centre for Migration Policy Development, International Criminal Police Organization, International Organization for Migration, League of Arab States, Sovereign Military Order of Malta, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Secretariat of the Wassenaar Arrangement on Export Controls for Conventional Arms and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies

Non-governmental organizations

General consultative status:

International Chamber of Commerce, International Council of Women, Zonta International

Special consultative status:

Amnesty International, Anti-Slavery International, Asia Crime Prevention Foundation, Association for the Study of the World Refugee Problem, International Association of Judges, International Commission of Jurists, International Council on Alcohol and Addictions, International Federation of University Women, International Human Rights Law Group, International Institute of Humanitarian Law, Italian Centre of Solidarity, National Council of German Women's Organizations—Federal Union of Women's Organizations and Women's Groups of German Associations, E. V., Pax Romana (International Catholic Movement for Intellectual and Cultural Affairs) (International Movement of Catholic Students)

Roster:

International Movement against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism, National Rifle Association of America/Institute for Legislative Action, Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia

Annex II

List of documents before the Ad Hoc Committee at its first session

Document symbol	*Title or description*
A/AC.254/1	Annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work
A/AC.254/2	Main points of discussion of the first session of the informal working group established to assist the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of the Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (the informal group of the "Friends of the Chair"), held in Rome on 17 and 18 July 1998
A/AC.254/3	Report of the informal preparatory meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, held in Buenos Aires from 31 August to 4 September 1998
A/AC.254/4	Draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime
A/AC.254/4/Add.1	Draft elements for an international legal instrument against illegal trafficking and transport of migrants: proposal submitted by Austria and Italy
A/AC.254/4/Add.2	Draft protocol against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, ammunition and other related materials, supplementary to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime: proposal submitted by Canada
A/AC.254/4/Add.3	Draft protocol to combat international trafficking in women and children, supplementary to the United Nations Convention on Transnational Organized Crime: proposal submitted by the United States of America
A/AC.254/5	Proposals and contributions received from Governments (Canada, France, France and Sweden, Germany, Switzerland, Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America)
A/AC.254/5/Add.1 and Corr.1	Proposals and contributions received from Governments (Japan, Mexico, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and United States of America)
A/AC.254/5/Add.2	Comments and proposals received from Governments (Netherlands)
A/AC.254/6	Report on the third session of the informal working group established to assist the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, held in Vienna from 5 to 6 November 1998

Document symbol	*Title or description*
A/AC.254/7	Ongoing international initiatives related to the elaboration of an international legal instrument against illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, their parts and components and ammunition
A/AC.254/8	Draft elements for an agreement on the prevention, suppression and punishment of international trafficking in women and children, supplementary to the Convention against Transnational Organized Crime: proposal submitted by Argentina
A/AC.254/CRP.1	Inter-American Convention against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunition, Explosives and Other Related Materials
A/AC.254/CRP.2	Inter-American Convention on International Traffic in Minors
A/AC.254/CRP.3	International Maritime Organization circular on interim measures for combating unsafe practices associated with the trafficking or transport of migrants by sea
A/AC.254/CRP.4	Comments of the World Customs Organization on the draft protocol against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, ammunition and other related materials
A/AC.254/CRP.5	Comments of Kuwait on the draft convention against transnational organized crime
A/AC.254/CRP.6	Background document submitted by South Africa on the draft protocol against the illicit manufacturing of and trafficking in firearms, ammunition and other related material as part of the proposed Convention on Transnational Organized Crime
A/AC.254/CRP.7	Indicative timetable for the work of the Ad Hoc Committee in 1999
A/AC.254/L.1 *	Draft report
A/AC.254/L.1/Add.1	Draft provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the second session of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Elaboration of a Convention against Transnational Organized Crime
A/AC.254/L.1/Add.2	Revised draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime
A/AC.254/L.2	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Canada and Colombia)
A/AC.254/L.3	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Netherlands)
A/AC.254/L.4	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Document symbol	*Title or description*
A/AC.254/L.5	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Colombia)
A/AC.254/L.6	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Kuwait)
A/AC.254/L.7	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Mexico)
A/AC.254/L.8	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Mexico)
A/AC.254/L.9	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (Australia)
A/AC.254/L.10	Amendment submitted by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees concerning safeguards for refugees and/or persons in need of international protection threatened by extradition in the context of article 10 of the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime
A/AC.254/L.11	Proposals and contributions received from Governments on the draft United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (United States of America)